- (3) Obtain reports, information, advice, and assistance, consistent with DoD Directive 8910.1,3 as necessary to carry out assigned functions.
- (4) Communicate directly with the Heads of DoD Components. Communications to the Commanders of the Unified Combatant Commands shall be transmitted through the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.
- (5) Communicate with other Government officials, representatives of the legislative branch, members of the public, and representatives of foreign governments, as appropriate, in carrying out assigned functions.
- (b) Other authorities specifically delegated by the Secretary of Defense are in appendix A to this part.

APPENDIX A TO PART 343—DELEGATIONS OF AUTHORITY

Pursuant to the authority vested in the Secretary of Defense, and subject to the authority, direction, and control of the Secretary of Defense, and in accordance with DoD policies, Directives, and Instructions, the USD(P&R) is hereby delegated authority to:

- (a) Act for the Secretary of Defense in conducting a review of the military compensation system.
- (b) Issue DoD issuances pertaining to the management of commissioned officers that are required to be issued by the Secretary of Defense under pertinent sections of 10 U.S.C., including those added by Public Law 96-513, "Defense Officer Personnel Management Act," December 12, 1980, as amended by Public Law 77-22, "Defense Office Personnel Management Act Technical Corrections Act," July 10, 1981, except when such delegation is specifically prohibited.
- (c) Act for the Secretary of Defense to approve or disapprove recommendations for the Secretary of Defense Award for Productivity Excellence.
- (d) Act for the Secretary of Defense to review and approve procedures established by the Secretaries of the Military Departments for the correction of military records under the authority of 10 U.S.C. 1552.

The USD(P&R) may redelegate these authorities, as appropriate, and in writing, except as otherwise provided by law or regulations. These delegations of authority are effective March 29, 1994.

PART 344—ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR RESERVE AF-FAIRS (ASD(RA))

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AUTHORITY: 10 U.S.C. 136.

SOURCE: 59 FR 14563, Mar. 29, 1994, unless otherwise noted.

§344.1 Purpose.

Under the authority vested in the Secretary of Defense by 10 U.S.C. 113 and 138, this part updates the responsibilities, functions, relationships, and authorities of the ASD(RA), as prescribed herein.

§ 344.2 Applicability.

This part applies to the Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD), the Military Departments, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the Unified Combatant Commands, the Inspector General of the Department of Defense, the Defense Agencies, and the DoD Field Activities (hereafter referred to collectively as "the DoD Components").

§ 344.3 Definitions.

- (a) Reserve components. Refers collectively to the Army National Guard of the United States, Army Reserve, Naval Reserve, Marine Corps Reserve, Air National Guard of the United States, Air Force Reserve, and Coast Guard Reserve, when the Coast is operating as a Service of the Department of the Navv.
- (b) Total force. The organizations, units, and individuals that comprise the Defense Department's resources for meeting the national security strategy. It includes DoD Active and Reserve military personnel, military retired members, DoD civilian personnel (including foreign national direct- and indirect-hire, as well as non-appropriated fund employees), contractor staff, and host-nation support personnel.

§ 344.4 Responsibilities and functions.

The Assistant Secretary of Defense for Reserve Affairs is the principal

³ See footnote 1 to §343.6(a)(2).